MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : A statement,* by caste, of those who were appointed permanently or temporarily as Assistant Inspectresses of Girls' Schools during the last one year ending with the 15th Mithunam 1107 is laid on the table.

Harnessing the Karimpankuttu falls.

338. **MR. K. P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have investigated the resourcefulness of the Karimpankuttu falls in the main Periyar river, (about 8 miles up the place where the Mutirapuzha joins the Periyar) for a hydro-electric power scheme in Travancore ; and

(*b*) whether it is a fact that they propose to develop a scheme of hydro-electric power from Pallivasal or Munnar ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes, a preliminary investigation has been made.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : When was the preliminary investigation made ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : In 1920.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : What is the result of the investigation ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : It was reported by the Engineer deputed for investigation that the scheme would require a tunnel about a mile long and a channel about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles long to secure approximately 600 feet ahead. That is the result of the investigation. It is a very costly scheme.

Appointment of Mr. G. Mahadeva Aiyar, Accountant of the Sanketam Department, in the Survey Department.

339. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any G. O. or rule that no subordinate of the Sri Pandaravaka Department should be taken over to any other department ;

(*b*) whether one Mr. G. Mahadeva Aiyar, an Accountant of the Sanketam Department, was appointed in the Survey Department ;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, whether that appointment was not in violation of the orders of the Government referred to in part (*a*) ;

(*d*) whether the said Mr. Mahadeva Aiyar continued in the Survey Department for more than three years and whether sanction of Government for his appointment was sought for only after that period ;

(*e*) whether any leave with allowances was granted to that employee and substitute appointed in his place before Government sanction was accorded to that appointment ;

(*f*) if so, whether that was in consonance with Code rules ; and

(*g*) if the rules do not permit of such a procedure, why no action was taken thereupon by Government ?

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MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) There is no G. O. or rule prohibiting subordinates of the Sri Pandaravaka Department being taken over to any other Department. G. O. D. Dis. No. 1314/27/Rev., dated the 14th October 1927, lays down that there should be no free interchange of hands between the Sri Pandaravaka and Land Revenue Departments.

(*b*) No Accountant by name G. Mahadeva Aiyar was appointed in the Survey Department from the Sanketam Department. But one P. Mahadeva Aiyar, an Accountant in the Sanketam Department was appointed as Sub-protem Computor-Draftsman in the Survey Office.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

(*d*) The Accountant joined duty in the Survey Office on 3-7-1104 and the sanction of Government for his transfer to the Survey Department was applied for on 20-11-1106.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*f*).

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): With reference to part (*a*), may I know whether this G. O. No. 1314/27/Revenue, dated the 14th October 1927, lays down that Government sanction should be obtained before such interchange of hands is made.

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know why in this particular case Government sanction was applied for only 2 years after the appointment was made?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Probably, it was an omission.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know whether this omission was found out by the superior authorities or by the authority who appointed this person?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know whether, at that time, there was any other application from the Survey Department?

MR P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

Enquiry into the case of overpayment of tiruppuvaram in the Neyyattinkara taluk.

340. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount of Government money lost on account of the *tiruppuvaram* overpayment case in the Neyyattinkara taluk;

(*b*) in whom they have fixed the main responsibility for the loss;

(*c*) whether they have filed suits against the *matoms* or persons who have overdrawn the amounts, and, if not, whether they contemplate doing so

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